

## NOTE III.

## CERCOPITHECUS WOLFI, N. SP.

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In the Zoological Garden of Dresden, since the year 1887, there has been a living specimen of a *Cercopithecus*, brought hither from Central West-Africa by Dr. Ludwig Wolf. This specimen so obviously represents an undescribed species of monkey, that I need not hesitate any longer in describing it shortly, though this can be done but imperfectly during its life-time. The following remarks, therefore, must be looked upon as preliminary only, to be completed after the animal's death.

This new species belongs to the *Mona*-group, which was divided by Prof. Schlegel (Cat. Mus. Pays-Bas, Singes, 1876, p. 80) into those with white over the root of the tail and those without it.

The first division is represented solely by *C. mona* Erxl.; the second is composed of *C. Campbelli* Wat., *C. pogonias* Benn. (*Erlebenii* Dahlb. & Puch.), and *C. erythrogaster* Gray, all occurring in Western Africa. To this latter group *C. Wolfi* belongs, though it may at a glance be distinguished from all other species by its ferruginous hind legs and by the light patches on inside of thighs and arms. Hereby it would be sufficiently characterized, as this, as far as I am aware, does not occur in any known species. I give, however, as detailed a description as is possible while the animal is living.

Above bluish gray, on sides of body darker, middle of back shading into yellowish brown. Cap brownish gray. An upraised yellowish white semicircular frontlet reaching

to the ears, bordered in front by a narrower black one produced very narrowly over the ears, becoming broader on sides of neck and dissolving into the black of outside of arms. Front part of snout dull orange flesh colour. Nose and other naked parts of face blackish gray or bluish. Eartufts of a dark orange colour. The long hairs of the cheeks citron yellow, vermiculated with brownish and produced into long yellowish white whiskers. Throat and breast yellowish white, the latter in the middle with an elongated pure white patch. A stripe along the sides of the body saffron yellow. Middle of belly lighter. Arms outside deep black, the hairs being more or less tipped with yellowish brown, inside yellowish white with an outer edging of saffron yellow. Legs outside orange ferruginous, most vivid on tibia, on upper thighs with darker tips to the hairs; inside lighter and on midst of upper thighs white (whether naked skin or hairs could not be decided). Tail above mousegray, distal third darker, more bluish gray, underneath whitish. Iris reddish brown.

Length of body . . . . .	circa 50 cm.
» » tail . . . . .	» 68 »
Height of body (hindlegs) . . . . .	» 35 »

I name this beautiful species *Cercopithecus Wolfi*, in honour of its discoverer, whose early death, which took place in Africa the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 1889, the scientific world has to deplore. The decease of Dr. Wolf prevents me from ascertaining the exact locality, where this specimen was procured.

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